

# Strange quark tagging with ILD to search for new physics in the Higgs sector

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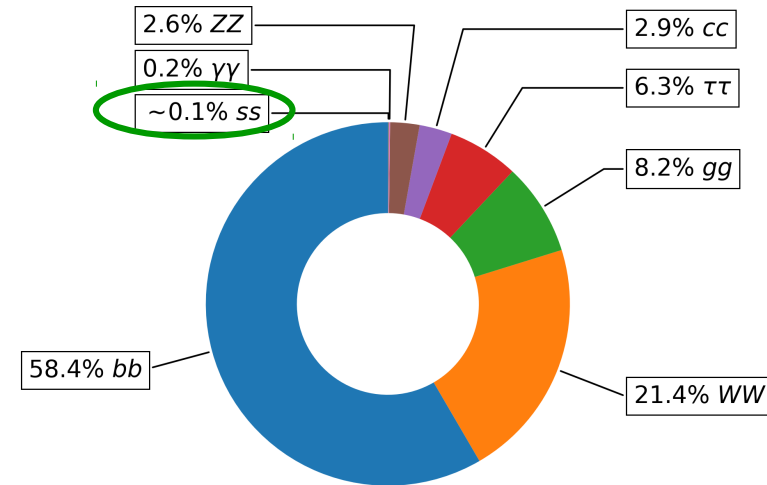
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# Overview

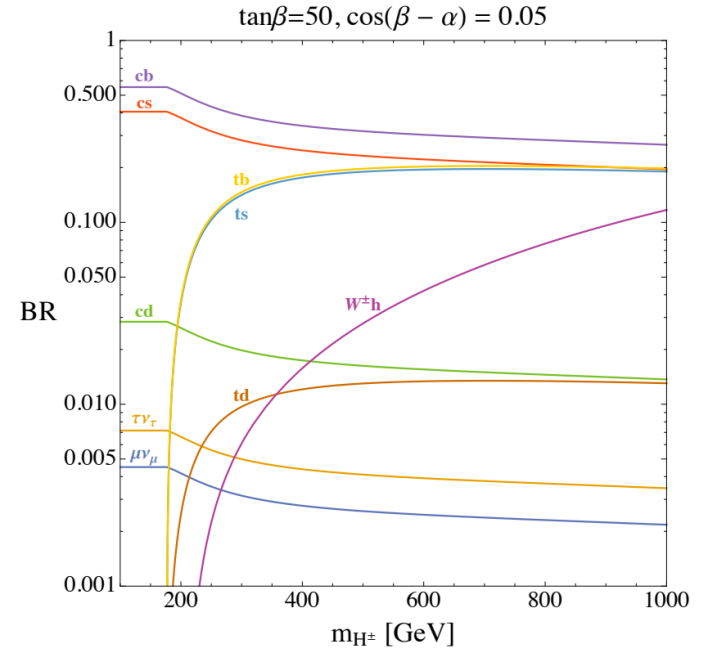
- Submitted a [Letter of Interest](#) as part of [Snowmass 2021](#)
  - Basic goal: develop a strange tagger using ILD@ILC and apply the tagger to a simple SM  $H \rightarrow ss$  or BSM  $H \rightarrow cs$  analysis
    - In line with ILC Snowmass 2021 study questions ([2007.03650](#))
    - Interplay with the instrumentation: strange tagging capabilities strongly depend on the detector (e.g., PID)
  - Collaboration between SLAC, Brown, Oregon, KEK, and Toronto



$\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}, m_H = 125 \text{ GeV}$

# $H \rightarrow ss$ and $H \rightarrow cs$

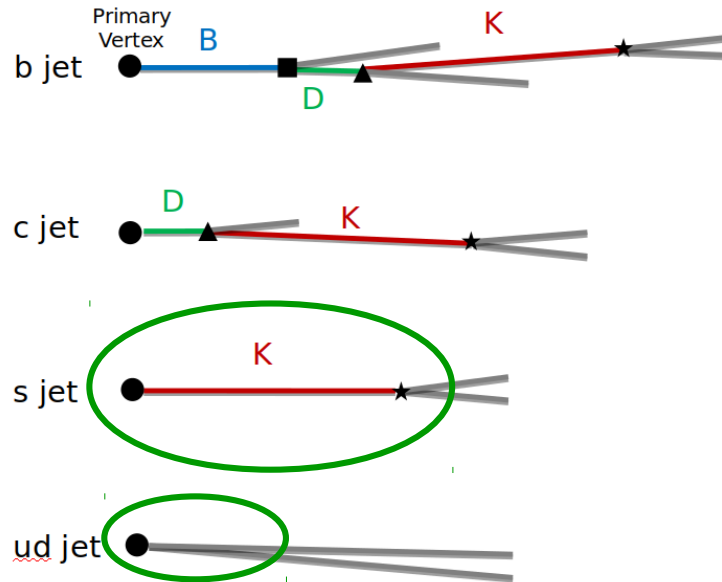
- $H \rightarrow ss$ : likely to remain out of experimental reach unless enhanced relative to SM expectations
- $H \rightarrow cs$ : some BSM models allow for the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> generation fermion masses to be an additional source of EW symmetry breaking, resulting in a “SM” Higgs doublet (125 GeV) and a “heavy” Higgs doublet
  - See [1610.02398](#) for instance
  - Predicts an **enhancement** to Higgs cross section
  - Charged heavy Higgs can undergo flavour violating decays (e.g.,  $cs$ ) –  $s/c$ -tagging can help here



*Charged heavy Higgs branching ratios. Taken from Fig. 6 of [1610.02398](#).*

# Different jet types, pictorially

## Discriminants



### Charged Kaon track

- Zero track impact parameter w.r.t. primary vertex
- Momentum fraction relative to the jet momentum carried by the leading Kaon
  - (Longitudinal vs transverse components?)

### $\mathbf{V}^0(K_S^0, \Lambda^0)$

- Vertex momentum & displacement must point in the same direction
- Mean vertex distance smaller compared to b/c

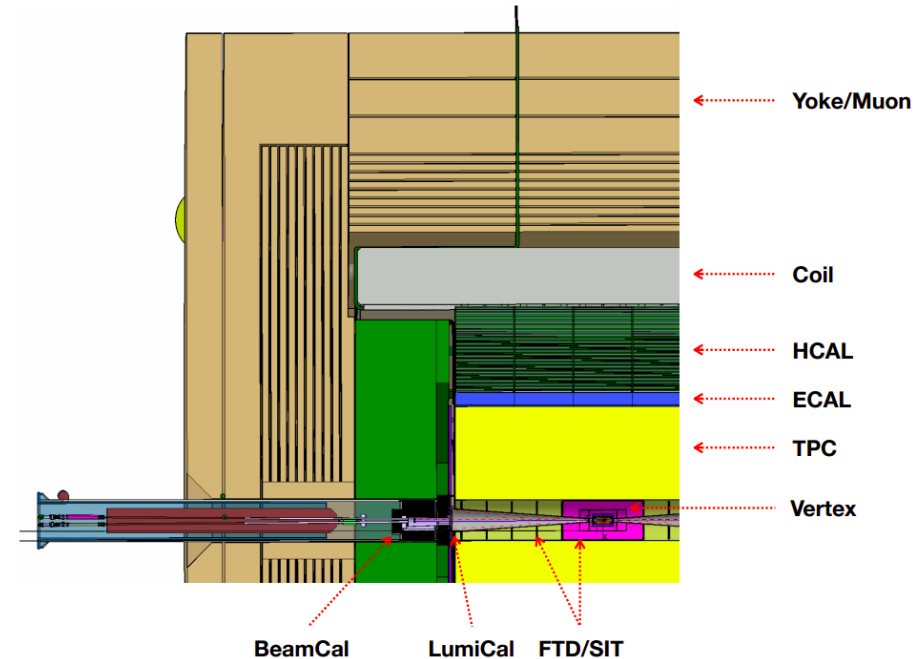
+ the usual b/c discriminants (vertex mass, impact parameter for all tracks, etc.)

*Remember to normalize the discriminants to make them boost invariant (as much as possible)*

Taken from Slide 5 of Tomohiko Tanabe's 2020/11/24 presentation.

# ILD@ILC

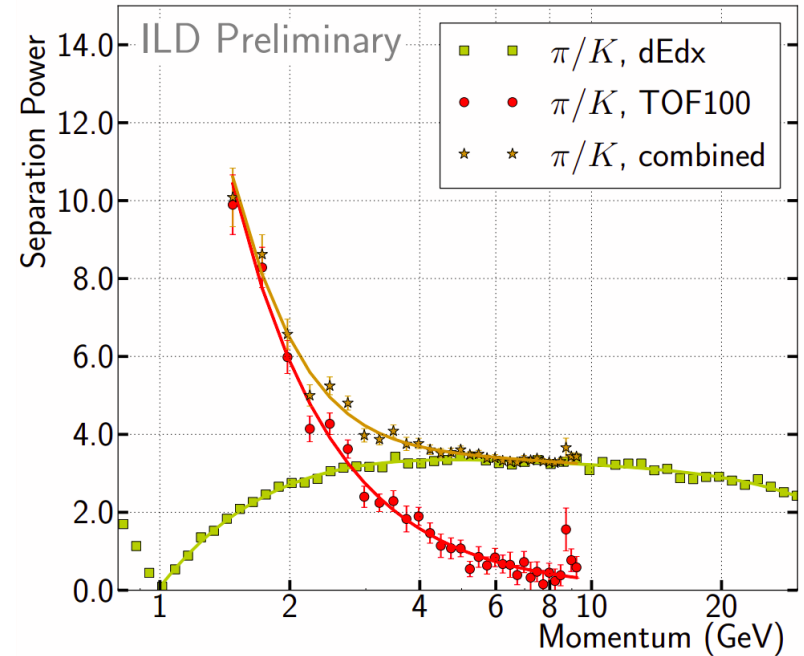
- The ILD detector
  - Detector overview: [1912.04601](#)
  - 3 double-layer pixel detectors for vertexing
  - Time projection chamber (TPC) for tracking with inner/outer Si layers
    - Low material assists in low- $p$  tracking
  - High granularity sampling calorimeters for particle flow reconstruction
    - Challenge is reconstructing neutral hadrons
    - Precise EM/hadronic design still under study
  - Tracking/calorimetry contained in 3.5 T field



*ILD detector quadrant. Taken from Fig. 1 of [1912.04601](#).*

# Flavour tagging requirements

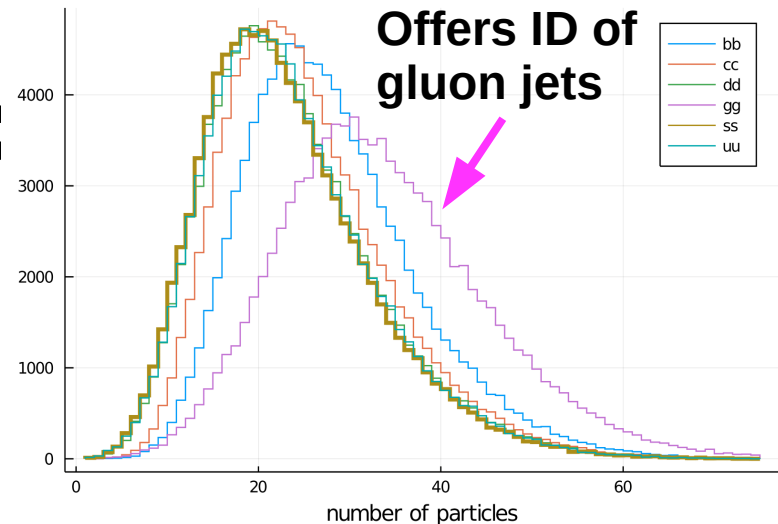
- Good impact parameter resolution, secondary vertexing
  - Pertinent to  $b/c$ -tagging
- For strange versus up/down (“light”) quark tagging, there’s a need for **kaon tagging**
  - TPC provides  $dE/dx$ , Si detectors on either side of TPC provide time-of-flight (TOF) measurement
  - TOF works best at low  $p$  ( $< 10$  GeV), expect  $dE/dx$  to work better for kaon tagging (where  $p > 10$  GeV)
- ILD already provides BDT scores for  $b/c$ -taggers and an other (“o”) tagger per jet – these can be utilized



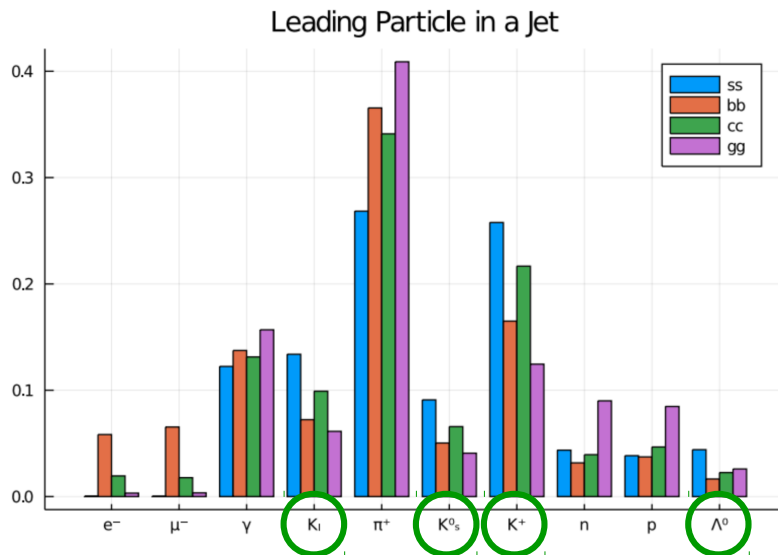
*ILD separation power for pions and kaons using  $dE/dx$  and TOF (100 ps resolution). Taken from Fig. 3 of [1912.04601](#).*

# Truth-level $H \rightarrow \text{hadronic}$

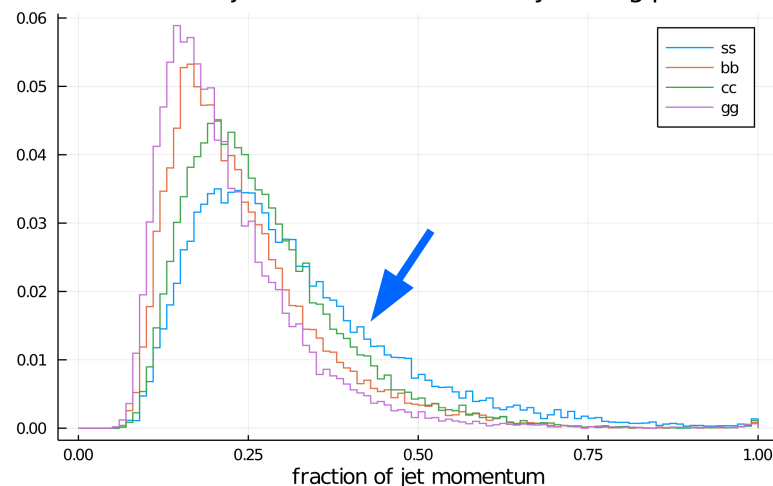
- Leading particle in strange jets carries larger fraction of jet's momentum
  - Strange particles also tend to lead in  $H \rightarrow ss$  events



Plots are *per-jet*



Fraction of jet momentum carried by leading particle



Plots taken from Jan Strube's 2020/11/24 presentation.

# Multiclassifier tagger and inputs

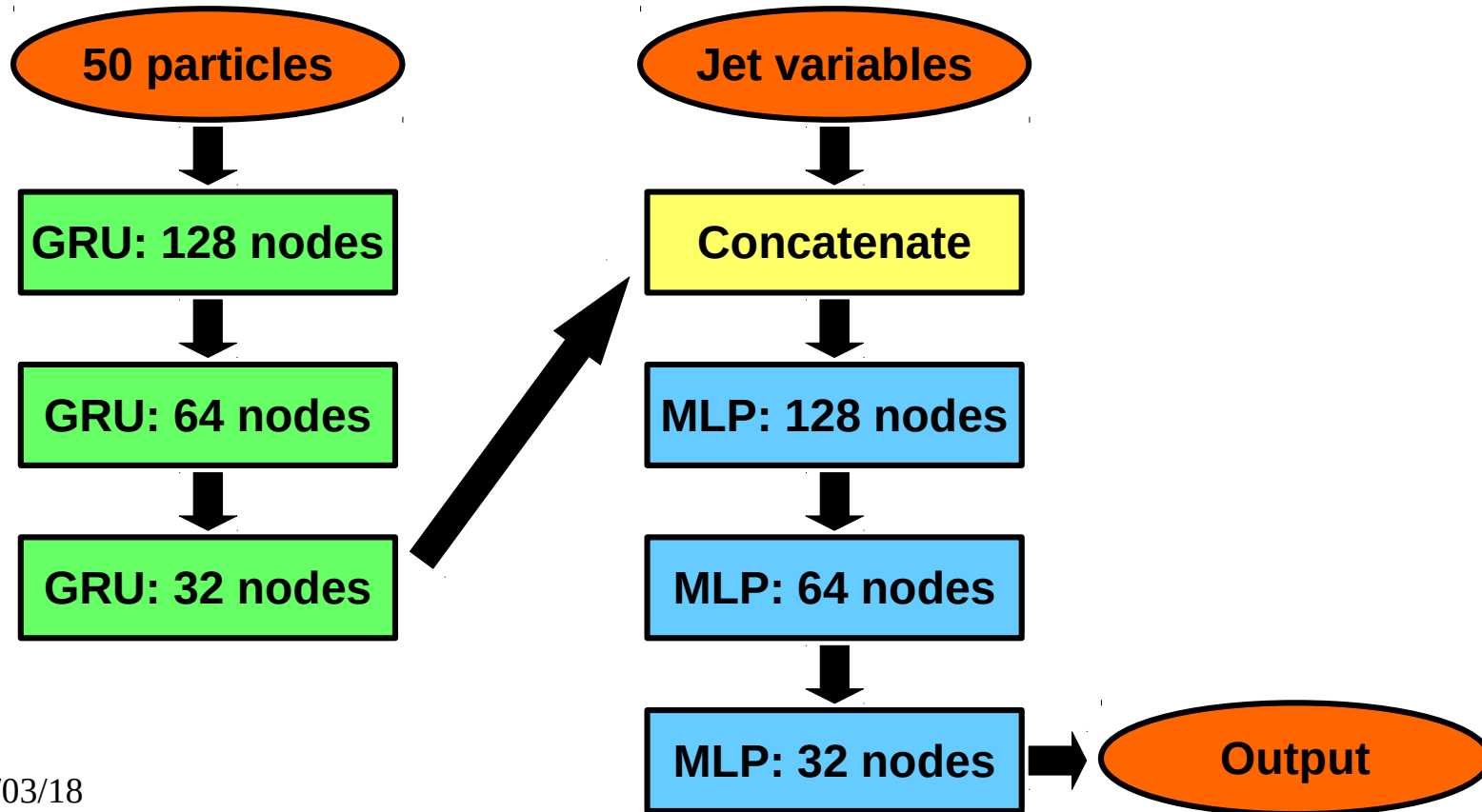
- Use a *multiclassifier* tagger which assigns probabilities to the possible flavours of a jet simultaneously
  - Departure from binary classifiers which assign a probability of a jet having flavour  $X$  and *not* having flavour  $X$
- Train on ILD-reconstructed  $H \rightarrow qq/gg$  samples ( $qq = uu, dd, ss, cc, bb$ ) with  $\sqrt{s} = 250$  GeV and  $P_L[e^-] = 100\%$  and  $P_R[e^+] = 100\%$
- Use per-jet level inputs as well as variables on the 50 leading particles in each jet (with kinematics re-defined relative to the jet axis and re-normalized relative to jet momentum)
  - Jets: momentum  $p$ , pseudorapidity  $\eta$ , polar angle  $\phi$ , mass  $m$ ,  $b/c$ -tagger scores,  $N_{\text{particles}}$
  - Particles (tracks):  $p$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $\phi$ ,  $m$ , charge, number of associated tracks/clusters



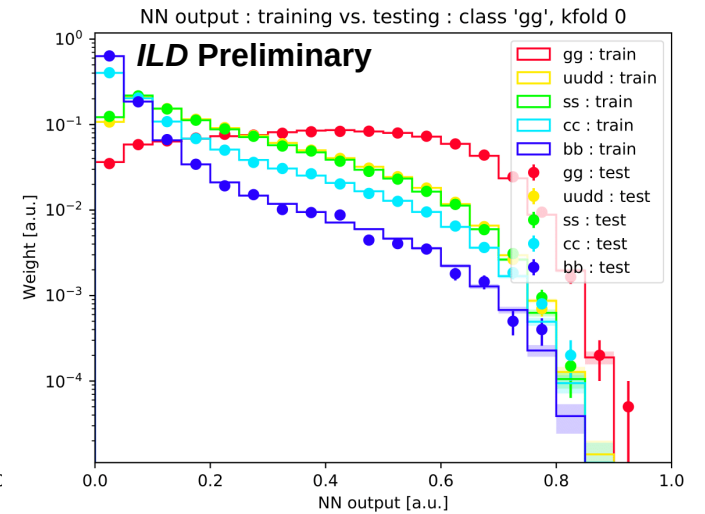
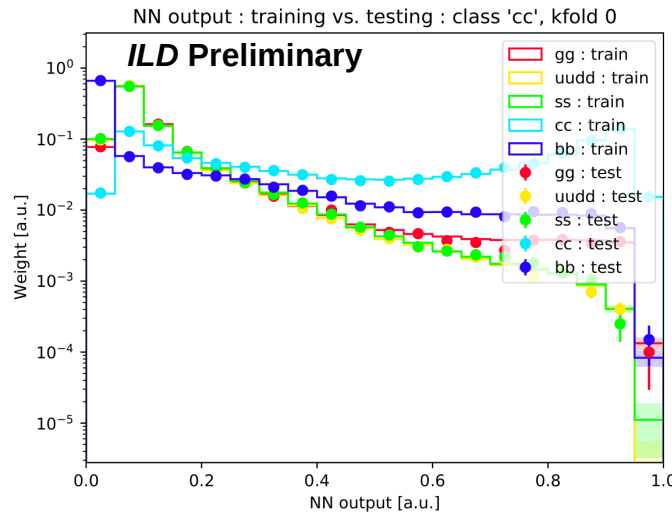
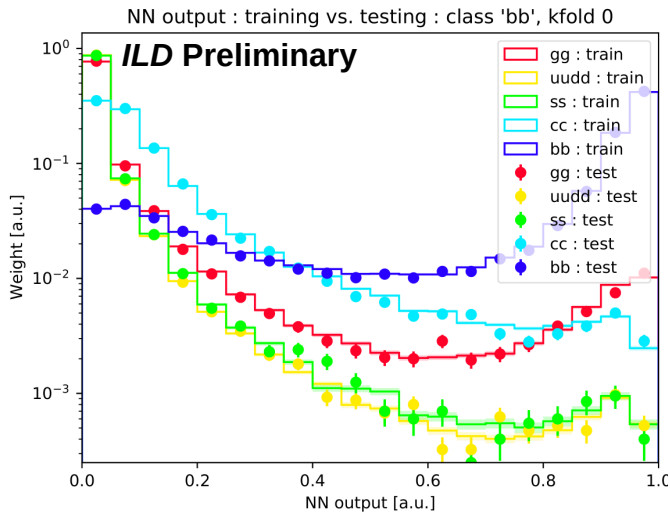
# Tagger architecture

- Looking into different tagger architectures (*more on this*) using neural networks (NNs), but we picked a relatively simple one to start with
  - 3 layer (128→64→32 nodes) recurrent neural network (using gated recurrent units) for particle-level inputs – then concatenated with jet-level inputs and fed into a 3 layer (128→64→32 nodes) multilayer perceptron
  - Architecture shows up in many different HEP measurement scenarios (e.g., recent ATLAS  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$  couplings measurement, see Section 5.2 of [2004.03447](#)); specifically, applied even to strange tagging performance at **hadron** colliders (used LSTMs instead of GRUs)
    - “Maximum performance of strange-jet tagging at hadron colliders” ([2011.10736](#))

# Tagger architecture: pictorially

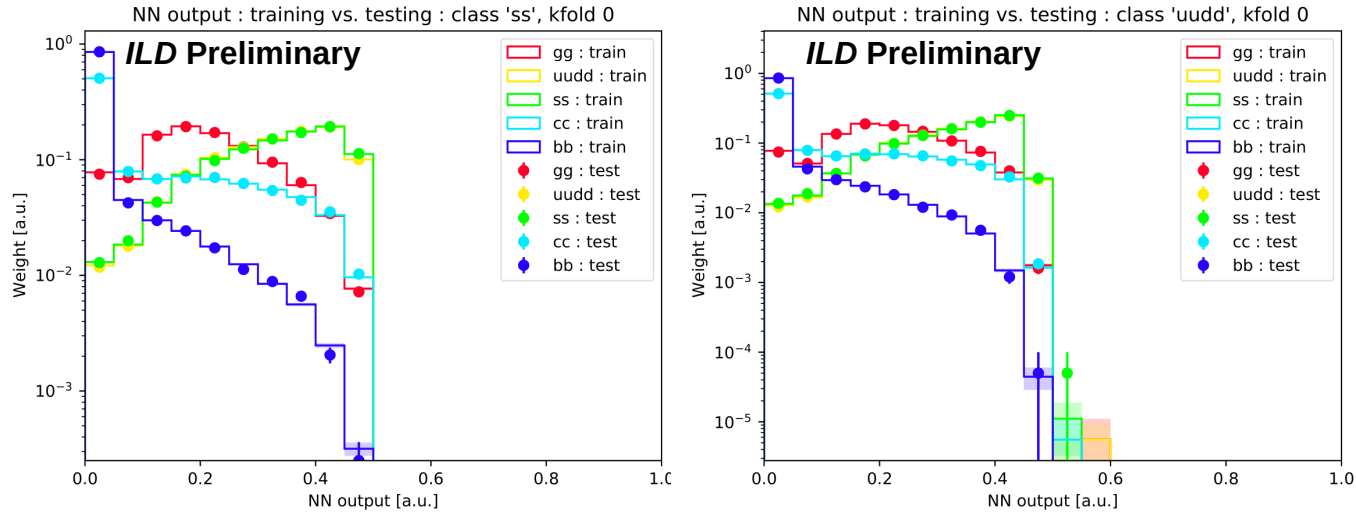


# Performance: $b$ , $c$ , and $g$ jets



- MVA likely returning  $b/c$ -tagger scores – should do just as well or better than input BDT scores
- **Reasonable** discrimination of gluon jets – likely comes from  $N_{\text{particles}}$  input

# Performance: $s$ and $u/d$ jets



- Unfortunately, separation of strange and light jets is very **hard** (even  $p_{\text{lead}}/p_{\text{jet}}$  track each other quite closely for these classes)!
- Currently: reasonable separation possible for  $b$ ,  $c$ ,  $g$ , and  $s+u/d$

# Discussion

- What can be done about the strange/light separation?
  - Have yet to utilize  $dE/dx$ +TOF likelihood info for kaon/pion separation – available and inclusion is in-progress
  - Addition of impact parameters per-particle in a jet and the variables used by the BDT  $b/c/o$ -taggers (“LCFIPlus”) is also in-progress
- Architecture we intend to compare against current benchmark: “ParticleNet: Jet Tagging via Particle Clouds” ([1902.08570](#))
  - Proposed for flavour tagging at FCC-ee (see talk [here](#))
    - Shows promise for charm tagging – training will likely require a GPU, however
  - Represent particles in jet as a graph and apply EdgeConv ([1801.07829](#)) units to relationships between a given particle and its nearest neighbours

# Summary

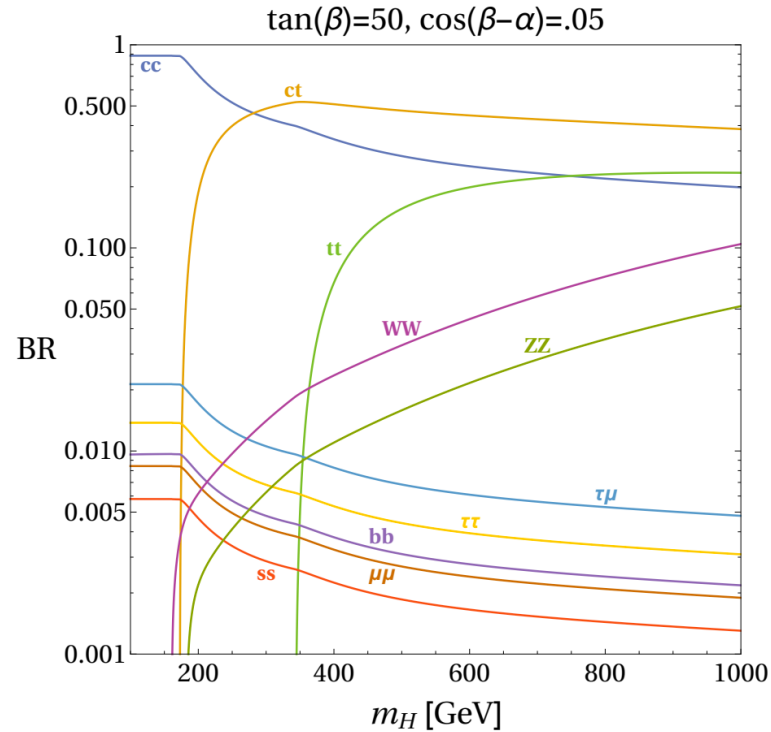
- Steady progress has been made, but there still needs to be further exploration of PID inputs and NN architectures to achieve strange/light separation
  - A bit of an in-progress report – expect a more complete picture to be ready by Fall 2021 LCWS
- Related study: we are also interested in identifying the detector technology required for strange tagging via simulation

# Questions?

# Backup

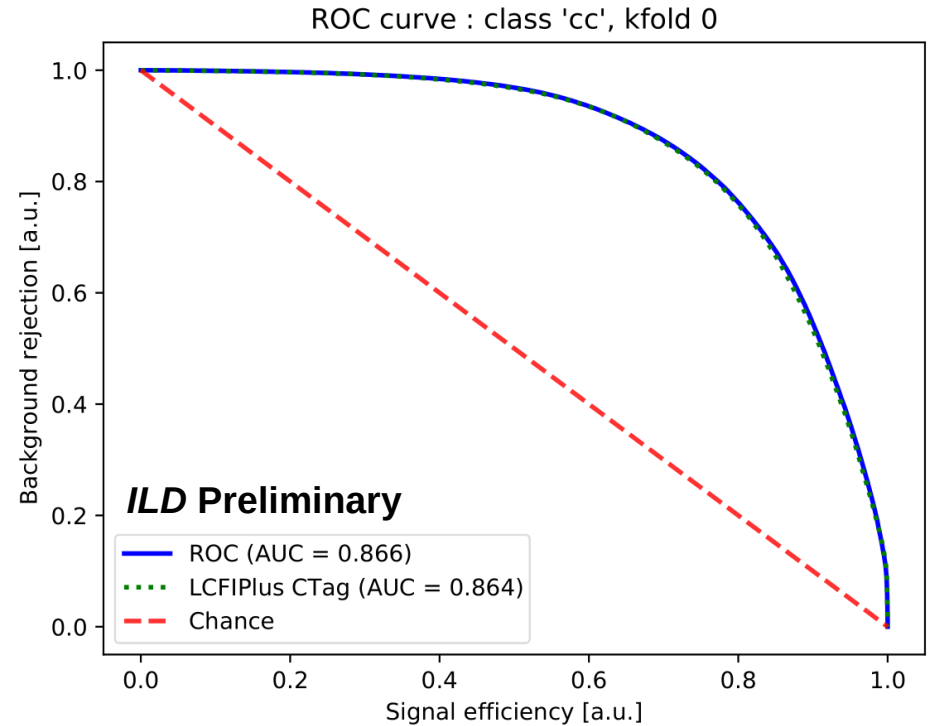
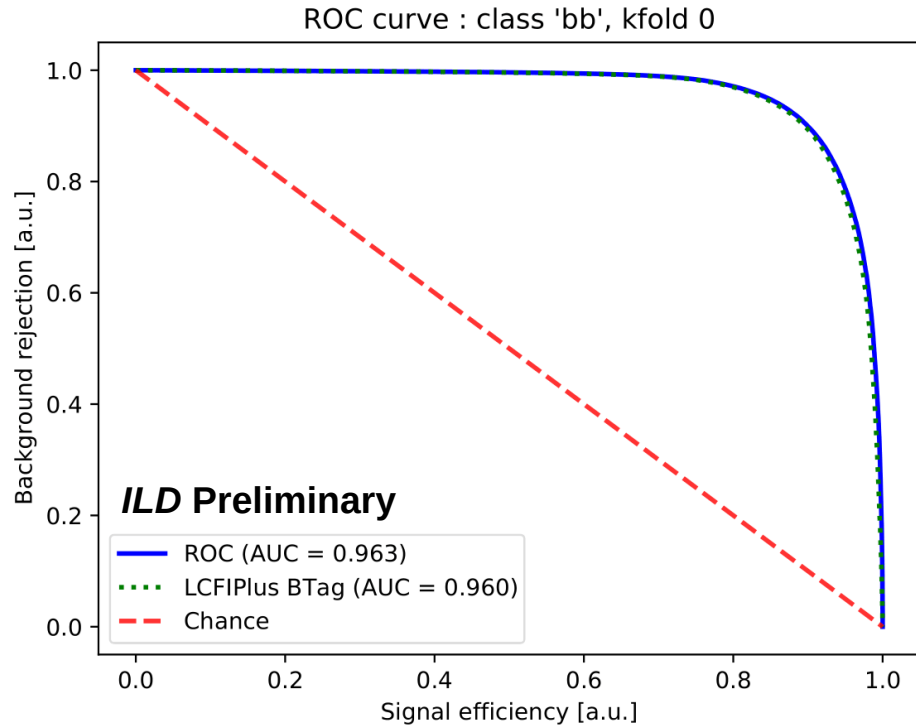


# Neutral heavy Higgs BRs

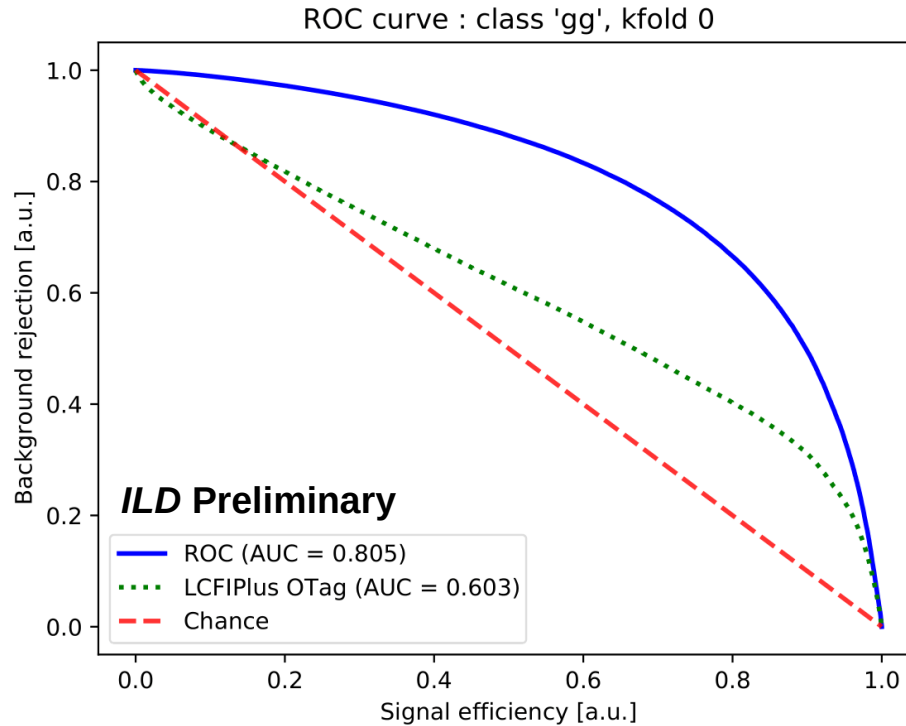


Neutral heavy Higgs branching ratios. Taken from Fig. 3 of [1610.02398](#).

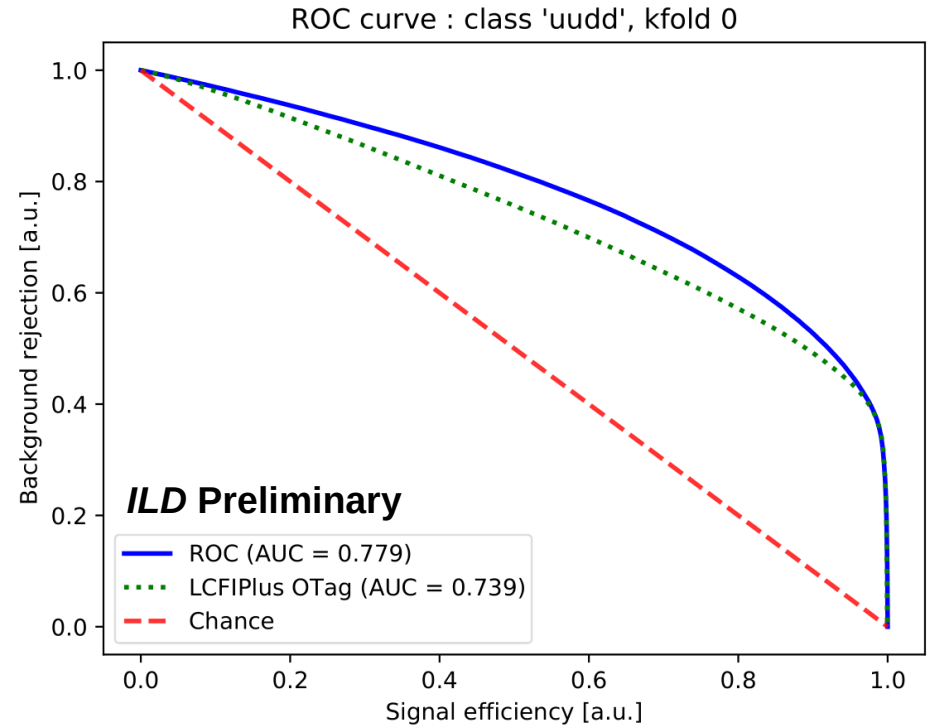
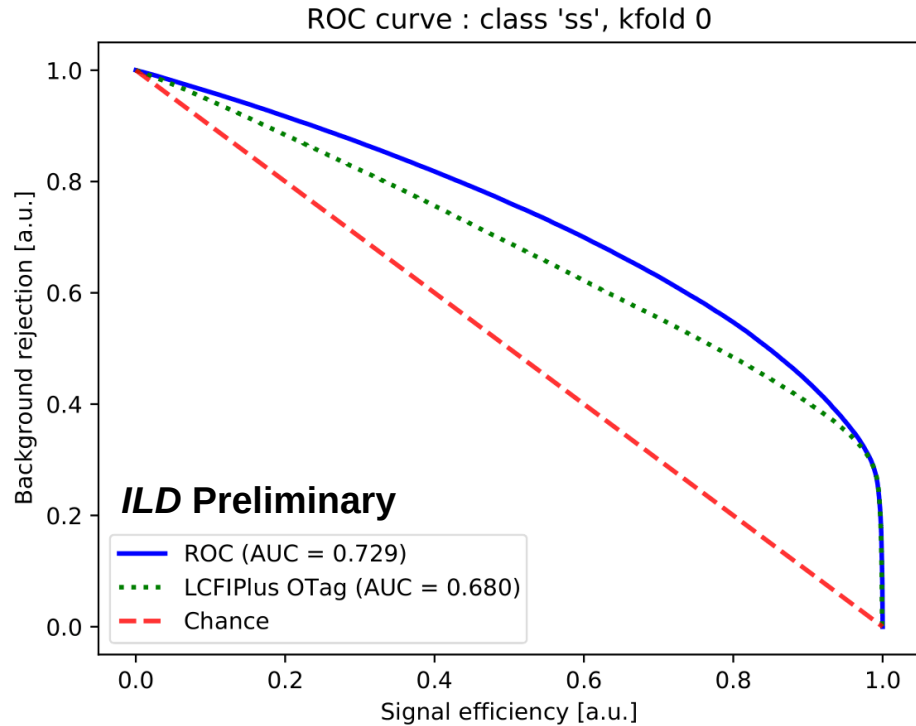
# ROC curves: *b* and *c* jets



# ROC curves: $g$ jets



# ROC curves: $s$ and $u\bar{d}$ jets



# Multiclassifier confusion matrix

